THE DAY S SUMMARY.

THE WEATHER.

WASHINGTON, February 9.—Forecast or Tuesday and Wednesday: Virginia—Fair Tuesday: Wednesday in-reasing cloudiness, probably rain and variner; fresh west, winds, becoming safferty.

ium temperature made yestorday a nat day. The mercury got nohigher the half-century mark, and after fall it fell considerably. The ter prophet promises fair and er weather to-morrow.

Spike mill of the Richmond Tredegat illis burned; less very heavy, but cov-redd by insurance—Shirt factory dam-ged by fire—Rev. J. Sidney Peters Mills burned; loss very heavy, but covereda by insurance—Shirt factory damaged by fire—Rev. J. Sidney Peters elected superintendent of the Virginia Anti-Saloon League to succeed Rev. C. H. Crawford—Ministerial Union shaken and proguent of the wind and proguent of the succeed Rev. C. H. Crawford—Ministerial Union shaken and proguent of the succeeding the superintendent of the superintendent of

George: Benjamin Lesslie in Washington Miss Nancy Edna Edwards at Wystin William Wright, of Orange: Miss Luey Carr near Little Rock; Mrs. Margaret D. Naw at Norfolk: Mrs. Julia Rogers at Leesburg; Thomas W. Trent in Bucking ham.

NORTH CAROLINA.

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Bishop to be arraigned to-day at Charlotte for the murder of Themas Wilson—Legislature committee to investigate charges of cruelty to convicts will meet at Marlon to-day—Contest of Buckner for the State Senate is not laken seriously—St. Andrew's Church at Greensboro to have a new pipe organ before Easter—Big steamer on the const north of Hatteras—Five cars ditched near Winston—Billi introduced to convert the State prison into an insane asylim, as the convicts are out on the roads and farms—Actors, married at Durham with stage names, desire records changed—No improvement in Dr. J. L. M. Curry's condition at Asheville—Wilmington lady scares a burglary away.

GENERAL.

Democrats in Congress impress upon Republicans that they must remember the Sabbath day to keep it holy, and practically over-ruled decision of the Chair as to legality of action on department of commerce bill on last Sunday—Mormen Church, statehood bill and cruelites in the Philippines all figured in the Senate—Mormen church, statehood bill and cruelites in the Philippines all figured in the Senate—Race war precipitated in Missouri by whitpping of negroes at the post—Minister Bowen refuses to sign the protocols submitted by Germany and Italy, claiming that the principle upon which they are from the protocols of the control of the murder of the precipitation of counsel for the miners, dates argument before the coal striking latters argument before the latter argum GENERAL.

UNION OF **MINISTERS** IS SHAKEN

Some Leading Members May Withdraw.

THEY DREW THE LINE VERY SHARPLY

Divided as to Proper Functions of the Union.

LIFE OF THE BODY IS HANGING BY A THREAD

By Yesterday's Decision the Union May Discuss Any Question, Religious or

Its Business Committee. What a Number of Ministers Think About It.

nembers, including the president of the will redound to the permanent injury of

The union gets down, therefore, to a Methodist and Baptist affair. And the Baptists themselves are very badly

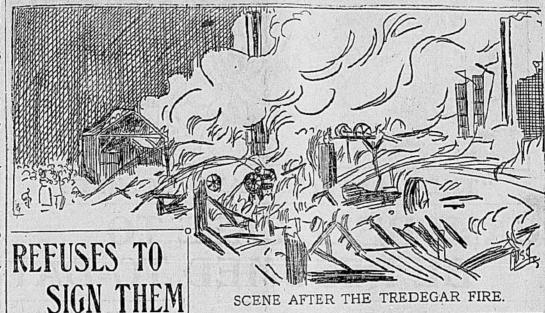
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WOULD CLEVELAND TAKE NOMINATION?

Declines to Decline Nomination in Advance of Its Tender.

(By Associated Press.) CINCINNATI, OHIO, Feb. 9.—In response to a direct inquiry as to whether he was a candidate or would accept another nomination for the presidency,

THE TREDEGAR IRON WORKS VISITED BY A GREAT FIRE



Minister Bowen Rejects Principle of Allied Demands.

CLAIM MISUNDERSTANDING

Insist That as Soon as This is Cleared Up There Will Be No Objection to Conventions.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 8.-Al-though Mr. Bowen and the other nego present drafted, which Br. Bowen can

PRINCIPLE WRONG.

were supposed to be settled. using every effort to have this under standing cleared up and have informed Mr. Bowen they hope to submit their conventions to him in a few days. Published reports that Germany in-

USED DYNAMITE TO HIDE CRIME

Two Persons Killed and Many Had Miraculous Es-

capes.

(By Associated Press.)
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JOHNSTOWN, PA., February 9.—A dastardly attempt to hide robbery and murder by dynamiting an Italian boarding house at Portage, Pa., occurred to-day. Two persons are dead, two-injured, and a score of others had miraculous escapes from death. The dead:

TONY GRILLO, aged thirty-four.

MRS. TONY GRILLO, aged forty-one. Ralph Tellilldo and Joe Destavo were seriously injured.

The scene of the affair was an Italian boarding house, occupied by Grillo, with his wife, three daughters and about twenty-five boarders. When the explosion occurred the inmates were harled in all directions, but the most of them escaped sectious injury. The bodies o. Grillo and his wife were found beneath the ruins of the house, which was completely demolished.

The boarders are all employed about.

er he was a candidate or would accept another nomination for the presidency; the following has been received from former President Grover Cleveland:

"Trinceton, N. J., Feb. 6.
"To the Editor of The Times-Star, Cincianati:

"Dear, sir,—I have received your letter of the fourth instant, asking on behalf of The Times-Star for an expression of my intentions as relating to the next Democratic campaign for the presidency, I cannot possibly bring my mind to the belief that a condition or santiment exists that makes any expression from me on the subject of the least importance.

"Yours very truly,

(Signed) "GROVER CLEVELAND."

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THE FAIR MILLIONS INVOLVED IN LAW SUIT

husband, was killed in an automobile accident in France in August last, have con menteed an action here to set aside an agreement which they entered into with Mrs. Theresa Oeirichs and Mrs. Virginia Vanderbilt, sisters of Charles D. Fair, not to start'a contest over the estate. By the agreement Mrs. Nelson was to receive \$12,000 and her daughter's jewelry, valued at \$100,000. It was claimed at the time that under the California laws Mr. Fair outlived his wife, and therefore that his relatives were entitled to his estate, estimated at \$5,000,000. Mrs. Fair's relatives now say they are prepared to prove that she lived ten minutes longer than her husband, and as he had executed a will leaving his estate to her, they are entitled to the whole of it. The plaintiffs allege that when the deendants offered the settlement, which was accepted, they well knew that Mrs. Fair outlived her husband, and the statement that she died before was made to secure the estate.

BANQUETED IN HONOR OF TILDEN'S BIRTHDAY

NEW YORK, February 9.-A banque birth of Samuel J. Tilden was held at birth of Samuel J. Tilden was held at the Tilden Club to-night. About 150 persons were present. Robert E. Dowling, president of the club, was toastmaster. Among those at the guest table were: Joseph W. Folk, district attorney of St. Louis; W. M. Hensel, former attorney general of Pennsylvania; Charles N. Humlin, treasurer under President Cleveland, and Attorney General Cuneen, of New York.

The speakers were Messrs. Hamlin, Folk and Sheppard.

FORGED PAPER TO SECURE BRIDE

Young Husband is Indicted On This Charge In Henrico.

At the Henrico County Court yester-At the Henrico County Court yesterday afternoon the grand Jury brought in an indictment against J. Ryland Martin, a young man charged with forging a paper as a means toward securing his bride, a charming young lady of eighteen years. Upon the 15th of last November, or thereabouts, the young man entered the offlice of the clerk of the county court and asked for the issuance of a license for himself and Miss Molle Yarbrough, who, he said, was a resident of Henrico county. In view of the age of the young lady the clerk refused to consider the application until there was laid before him the written consent of the parents. The young man left and in about an hour returned with a paper signed by G. W. Yarbrough and M. E. Yarbrough. It develops that the couple are not even residents of Henrico, but hall from Hanover. Mr. Martin is charged with forging the paper and a friend who appeared with him is charged with perjury. The case of the latter will come up in the County Court on an appeal. The indictment against the young husband will be tried on the 17th of the present month. His attorney is Mr. George P. Haw, of Hanover. day afternoon the grand jury brought in

Amover.

Among the other indictments brought in by the grand jury were the following; John Slater, charged with assaulting Bettle Bottoms, case set for February 11th; Grant Vanghan, charged with shooting and killing Willie Hill, case set for the 14th; Estela Draper, charged with beating Mary Joseph, case set for the 18th; Lee Robinson, charged with assaulting Alfonso Gary, case set for the 12th; Fred Hill, charged on two counts with breaking into a Chesapeake and Ohio car, cases set for the 12th.

A true bill was also found against John St. John, otherwise known as "Gypsy Jack," who has skipped jall and the hands of the sheriff. For obvious reasons this case was not set for trial.

Denounce Preacher Who Told

SOUGHT HIM

Indeavored, it Would Seem, to Prov them Was Accurate-Heated

New York, a lengthy preamble and reso-

It is set forth that Rev. Mitchell in his speech made these statements:

was the law that took away from

groes) of South Carolina after reading an account of what Mitchell had sald, went through the city of New York look-ing for Mitchell and he would have fared badly if caught."

A FIERCE RACE WAR IN MISSOURI

The Whipping of Three Negroes at the Post Causes Trouble.

(By Associated Press.)
FAYETTE, MO., Feb. 9.—A race was has

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has been started heer as the result of the public whipping of three negroes on the courthouse steps Friday night. A committee of the Law and Order League took the negroes from their homes and whipped them publicly for alleged misconduct. Two of them were women. Since then the negroes and white people have been in open enmity, and it is said that twenty negro farmers have been frightened into leaving this vicinity. A recent killing of Harry O'Donnell, a reputable citizen, was charged to negroes and did much to stir up enmity. The whites have threatened to drive the negroes from Fayette and vicinity.

The one negro man who was whipped Friday night made a desperato resistance, it took several men to carry him to the whipping post. He cursed his captors as the lash was applied, which resulted in the whip being wielded only the more vigorously. When the ordeal was ended the negro was so weak from loss of blood that he was put to bed instead of being driven from town. The women, who were not hilpped severely, ere taken to the outskirts and told to go. There is much exclement here, and a clash is feared.

Mr. Trigg's Condition.

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The Spike Mill is Totally Destroyed.

THE INSURANCE **COVERS DAMAGE**

Loss Estimated at a Hundred Thousand Dollars.

LARGE NUMBER OF MEN THROWN OUT OF WORK

he Alarm Signal Refused to Work Was Conveyed by the Times-Dispatch-Response Was Done Excellent.

department. Meanwhile the fire gree

wagons crept along the Tver bark, climbered railroad tracks and dug through soft and crambling dirt. Efforts to do more than keep the fire within the bounds limiting it when they arrived were fruitless. The buildings were in a hopeless condition when the first stream of water was played on the them. HOW IT HAPPENED.

avidity. The negro grabbed a bucket of water and dashed it up. Water in this case was fuel to the fire. According to the negro himself, his effort—as a result of the grease—resulted only in an outburst of flame more pronounced than ever.

BELL WOULDN'T RING.

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At this juncture some of the men left and went off in the direction of the private fire-alarm box, which is located at the works. Repeated efforts to sound an alarm failed, and after several moments wasted over this instrument, worthless at the critical moment, the telephone was resorted to. More trouble and delay awaited them here. Connections could not be gotten, or something of the sort. The alarm was finally turned in by The Times-Dispatch, which called up headquarters,

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WOMAN CHARGED WITH MURDER

Is Alleged to Have Killed Student Who Cast Imputation on Her Character.

(By Associated Press.) MACON, GA., February 9,-The grand jury to-day returned a true bill against Mrs. Effle Carson, charging her with the murder of Robert Rigsby, January 12, 1903.

She was at once taken into custody by the sheriff. Her counsel later appeared before Judge Felton in the Superior Court, and presented a petition asking that she be admitted to bail. Several affidavits were presented to show that there was reasonable ground upon which to base the petition.

Rigsby was from Bowling Green, Ky. Mr. William R. Trigg whose continued sickness has occasioned his friends so much uncashess, was taken worse Sunday afternoon about 40 clock Yesterday and last night he was about the same.

Result was furnished Mrs. Carson by her father, Thomas Fletcher, and E. Martin, principal of the business college with which she was connected.

THEY MUST **KEEP HOLY** SABBATH

Democrats Impress This Upon Congress.

CHAIR'S DECISION WAS OVERRULED

Rockefeller Story Believed by No One Save President.

NEW BANK WILL OPEN VERY SHORTLY

Virginians Own Ninety Per Cent. of the

try and the world that the Congress of

Richardson at once objected to the action of the House in receiving the rean appeal from the Chair, the Speaker was overruled, and the report on the Department of Commerce had to be resubmitted. Twelve Republicans aided the Democrats in overruling the Speaker.

The Democrats were jubilant, none more so than Mr. Jones.

It has been impossible to find a man

sion, will only have to declare satisfaction with the anti-trust laws

enacted.

But neither Democrats nor Republicans are really taking anti-trust legislation se-

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TO COMPENSATE CONFEDERATES.

Ex-Confederates and the people of the South generally will be interested in a bill introduced in the House by Mr. C. W. Thompson, of the Fifth Alabama District, providing for the compensation of officers and private soldlers of the Confederate army for horses, side-arms and baggage alleged to have been taken from them by Federal troops at and after the surrender at Appomattox, acting under orders and in violation of the terms of surrender. The Quartermaster-General is instructed to investigate these claims and issue his voucher to such persons as shall be shown to be entitled thereto. The bill provides that not more than \$100,000 shall be paid under the act.

It is further provided that no claimant shall receive any voucher unless he shall establish to the satisfaction of the Quartermaster-General that he, or the person through or from whom he asserts claim, was paroled at the time of the surrender; that he had kept his parole in good faith; that he was the actual owner of the horses, side-arms and baggage for which he claims compensation; that such property was taken from him by troops of the United States, acting under orders and in violation of the terms of the surrender under which he was paroled, And if the soldier has died since his parole was received, the sum he may be entitled to soldier has died since his parole was received, the sum he may be entitled to shall be paid to his wife; if she be dead, then to his children; if he has no wife or child living, then to his parents, or either of them, if one of them be dead; and no other shall be entitled to receive the same. If he has mount-\$125 per month—which the Senate voted to pay the widow of Major Walter Reed, of Virginia, the carmittee on Pensions this morning to increase the amount-\$125 per month—which the Senate voted to pay the widow of Major Walter Reed, of through the Senate. Mr. Hays asys there is not the slightest dou